

## HENRY TABLET IS GIVEN TO CHURCH

Appropriate Ceremonies at Scene of Orator's Most Famous Speech.

### PATRIOT IS EULOGIZED

Alden Bell Presents Token From State—Received by Rev. R. A. Goodwin.

Appropriate tribute to the memory of Patrick Henry, Virginia's immortal patriot, orator and statesman and the Commonwealth's first Governor, was paid yesterday when a bronze tablet in his honor was unveiled in old St. John's Episcopal Church, and presented to the vestry by the General Assembly. The ceremonies were simple but impressive. Present day sons of the Old Dominion praised and eulogized the man who sounded the first cry of the revolution which threw off the yoke of England and brought liberty and independence to America.

The historic old church at Broad and Twenty-fifth Streets was filled with members of the General Assembly, City Council, and other invited guests, while a portion of the seats were open to the public.

Miss Dabney Officiates. One of the most fitting features of the occasion was the presence of Miss Susie Hill Dabney, of Lynchburg, great-granddaughter of the illustrious Virginian, who unveiled the big bronze memorial. Doffing this young woman, attractively and simply gown, she stood before the altar, patriotically decorated with small American flags, and exposed to view the State's late, but nevertheless affectionate memorial to one of her most celebrated men.

The ceremony was preceded by a brief devotional service conducted by Rev. R. A. Goodwin, rector of St. John's, after which he turned the meeting over to Governor Mann, who presided throughout.

Mr. Bell Speaks. The first speaker was Representative Alden Bell, of Culpeper, who was the patron of the bill in the last Legislature which provided for the erection of the tablet. Following a few introductory remarks eulogistic to the memory of the great patriot, Representative Bell presented the tablet on behalf of the General Assembly. He said:

"Honored rector and vestry of St. John's Episcopal Church, the General Assembly of Virginia presents this memorial of Patrick Henry to the people for perpetual keeping within these holy walls. Guard and protect it as you will, not for its intrinsic value, but as a token of gratitude and love of the Virginia people who gave it."

The tablet occupies a position in the east wall of the church above the pew from which Henry made his famous speech, the import of which has never been forgotten.

A Sacred Duty. Before formally presenting the State's gift, Mr. Bell feelingly referred to the hero of 1775, who 115 years ago yesterday, gave his immortal "Give me liberty or give me death" speech.

"We meet within the historic walls of old St. John's Church," said Mr. Bell, "to perform a sacred duty. Virginia in holy mission erects this tablet to the memory of Patrick Henry, her son, patriot, statesman and orator, who could not add one feather to the wreath that crowns his deathless name."

"In the pantheon of human greatness secure is his fame, and we now behold the perfect proportions of the splendid edifice of his life, which he did so much to establish but we do not see the repulsive chaos out of which evolved so much order, beauty and symmetry of government, which ripened into fruition and justified the sacrifice for liberty by its fruits."

Like Wonderful Plant. "The republic of Henry and his great contemporaries is like that wonderful plant that springs from a bad cactus. For 199 years it stood a barren, withered trunk, when suddenly from out of the apex of its height there burst a bloom, which, in its richness and fragrance, proclaimed the wealth and beauty of a country."

"And we must not mar the symmetry of our design by withholding a well-merited tribute to the heroic women of America. They, who were the sheet anchor of our country's early hope, who were with it at Saratoga, where the conflict raged, and at Yorktown, in Old Virginia, saw it proudly close."

"In this ancient mecca, first temple of American liberty, just at this spot,

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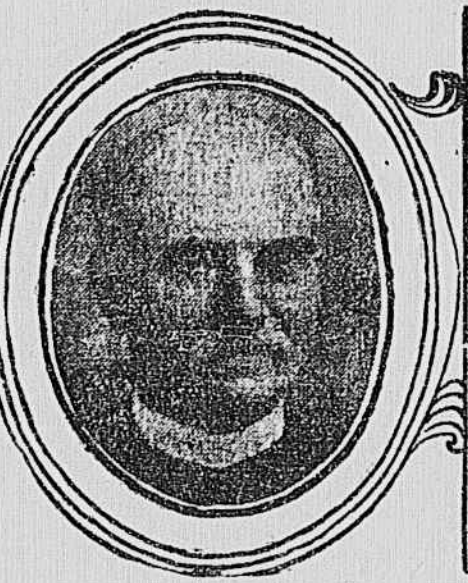
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SPEAKERS AT UNVEILING



REV. R. A. GOODWIN, who accepted for vestry of St. John's Church.



ALDEN BELL, who presented tablet on behalf of State.

Patrick Henry spoke as if the tablet dwelt forever on his lips, and courted liberty or death. And here was first set on the brow of the republic the sign of crown of independence.

Used Key of Home.

Governor Mann used as a gavel in presiding over the ceremonies a big brass key, which fits the lock of the door of the little house in Hanover county where Patrick Henry was born.

Though Representative Bell was the principal speaker of the occasion, affectionate and touching tribute to the man who sounded the first note of American independence was paid by Senator Claude A. Swanson, Virginia's junior member of the upper house of Congress; Representative John Lamb, Mayor D. C. Richardson, Lieutenant Governor J. Taylor Elyson and Mr. Goodwin. The latter accepted the tablet in behalf of the congregation and vestry of his church.

In his address of acceptance the rector said: "These patriots believed in God, and were not tainted by the French infidelity of the age. It is fitting that the Commonwealth should place here a memorial to the orator and statesman and patriot who was our first Governor. Hereafter from all over the country will continue to come to this sacred shrine to do honor to the great Virginian. May their minds and hearts be impressed with the fact that the men who founded this State and Union were God-fearing men."

Henry's Oratory. In his address Senator Swanson dwelt at length upon the wonderful oratorical ability of the man he came to praise. Characterizing him as the "Forest-Born Demosthenes," Senator Swanson pronounced Henry to be nearer the hearts of Virginians than Washington, Jefferson, Monroe, Chief Justice Marshall, Light-Horse Harry Lee, Edmund Pendleton, Randolph or any other of the sons of the first State. "Of all the men," he said, "Henry was the greatest orator he was the greatest orator of all time."

Senator Swanson eloquently referred in the highest possible and most stirring terms to the accomplishments of the early patriot. "It was he," he declared, "who urged Virginians to arm themselves, that they might be in readiness to defend this land against the invasion of George III. Virginia

worshipped the man and did his bidding. Other States followed suit."

Followed of Christ. Mayor Richardson told of Henry's Christian spirit, which dominated him through life. "Because he was imbued with the teachings of the church," the Mayor said, "the people had confidence in him. He was an accepted leader, and because he was a Christian they had faith in him."

"The title to the property of this church is irrevocably vested in its officers, but the people in every land where God is worshipped or where liberty finds hope regard this historic house as the shrine of patriotism—an inspiration to patriotism and religion."

Governor Elyson spoke briefly. He said: "No name in the annals of American history is more worthy to be treasured in the hearts of the people than that of the American people than that of him whose name is inscribed on yonder tablet."

What was it that made him so attractive? The fact that he had the prophetic vision to see and the moral courage to do. That is what made him truly great. He was, moreover, able to influence the public will by a witchery of oratory never surpassed in the history of the Commonwealth."

Many details of Henry's career were touched upon by Congressman Lamb. "Patrick Henry was well born," said Captain Lamb. "His parents not only sought to improve his mind, but gave him religious training. As a youth he was industrious and never idle, and this tendency to study and to work gave him the moral strength destined later to make him a leader of men."

Governor Mann made a few remarks appropriate to the occasion. "I am indeed proud," he said, "to be Governor of Virginia. Patrick Henry was the first and I am the fifth. It is a heritage to be proud of. This memorial is a splendid thing, and I want to say that the history and traditions of this Commonwealth must not be permitted to slumber."

Patriotic Feeling. Yesterday was just such a day as history ascribes to that on which Henry delivered his immortal oration. Those who were present at the ceremonies were thrilled with a spirit of patriotism. It was with difficulty that applause, which was frequently about to break out when some speaker brought to a restrained point, and it was necessary for Governor Mann to remind those present that St. John's was a sacred as well as a historic edifice.

Further touch of color was given the occasion by the presence of many descendants of Henry. They included Mrs. W. W. Henry, Mrs. James Lyons, Mrs. William L. Royall, Miss Royall, Thomas S. Henry, of San Antonio, Tex.; Miss Dabney, of Lynchburg, and Mr. and Mrs. W. Pitt Pitts, of Northampton county.

IN TAZEWELL JAIL FOR SAFE KEEPING

Negro Removed Hurriedly From Bluefield to Prevent Lynching.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Roanoke, Va., March 22.—John Grey alias John Bull, the negro who robbed and attacked Miss Roxie Bruce, stenographer in the office of Lacy Brothers, in Bluefield, late yesterday afternoon, was hurried to Tazewell at 1 o'clock this morning to prevent a lynching. Grey was arrested at Graham last night by detectives, and the feeling among the people in Bluefield was so strong for lynching the negro that a passenger coach was hatched to a time freight and the negro brought to the Tazewell jail for safe-keeping.

It is reported here that the officers making the arrest have stated that they do not think Grey is the negro who committed the crime, but have arrested him to throw the guilty party off his guard.

## GARNETT CHARGES GEROM NEW POINT

Figures Show State Bonds Were Retired During Swanson Administration.

### GRAVATT VOTED FOR BILLS

Head of Democratic League on Record as Favoring the Expenditures.

Some interest has been aroused as a result of the publication of accusations made against the record of Senator Claude A. Swanson while he was Governor of Virginia. A statement made by C. B. Garnett, general manager of the new Virginia Democratic League, indicated that the former governor had been guilty of bad financial management and that a large surplus had been converted by him into a deficit.

At the time Governor Swanson went out of office he received general applause from all quarters for his administration of affairs. Among other newspapers, The Times-Dispatch at the time editorially endorsed his administration. Therefore some attention has been directed to the matter, and there have been questions as to the facts in the case. These are obtainable from the office of the Auditor of Public Accounts.

It is not denied that the Governor is to an extent responsible for appropriations made against the record of Senator Claude A. Swanson while he was Governor of Virginia. The General Assembly passed the general bill appropriating the public revenue, and the Executive, if he signs it, is equally responsible with the members of the Legislature.

Voted for Bill. Records of the Legislature show that Dr. C. U. Gravatt, of Caroline, president of the Virginia Democratic League, as a member of the State Senate, voted for the general appropriation bills of 1908 and 1910, which sent the money with what General Manager Garnett says was extravagance. It was suggested yesterday that a joint debate between the president and the general manager of the league as to whether or not the former was extravagant would be interesting.

The Auditor's reports show that on the day when Governor Swanson was inaugurated, February 1, 1908, the balance in the treasury of the State was \$894,662.23. On the day when he stepped down, four years later, and turned the reins over to Governor Mann, there was \$787,119.19 in the said treasury. During the four years, on the recommendation of Governor Swanson, the Legislature had used \$519,854.47 of the current revenues for the purchase and retirement of State bonds, leaving its surplus in this way. By this means \$379,460 of the State debt was retired.

Gain of Large Sum. This means that, counting the cash when Governor Swanson went out and the bonds purchased voluntarily during his term, a total of \$1,305,305.55 was the real surplus when his four years ended, making a gain of \$447,701.31 over the amount when he took office.

It should be remembered that the State was under no obligation to purchase these bonds, but did so voluntarily, using its surplus in this manner.

It might, however, be contended that a comparison as of February 1 is unfair. Taking then the end of the appropriation year, which is March 1, it is noted that on March 1, 1910, every appropriation made during Governor Swanson's term was either paid and the money was in the treasury or else had lapsed and could not be used without a new appropriation. On March 1, 1910, when all obligations of the State under any bill signed by Governor Swanson ceased, there was the sum of \$176,081.48 in the treasury. The bonds paid for and retired during the term, there is a total of \$725,936.41 of surplus at the expiration of the Swanson regime.

Could Pay Sinking Fund. It is true that during Governor Swanson's last year the amount appropriated to go into the sinking fund was not paid, but under the settlement with the bondholders it was not required to be paid until 1910. Had it been paid on March 1, 1910, there would have been \$131,000 more in the money in the treasury for that purpose, and a small cash balance would still have been left.

In the last year of Governor Swanson's administration the sum of \$335,000 was spent for the improvement of the roads. As there was not a penny spent in this way during the last year of the preceding term, it will be seen where the increased revenue went in part. For education, during Swanson's last year the sum of \$53,243.48 was spent—more than during the school year of 1909. For the same years the increase was \$156,267.50 for higher institutions of learning. Several hundred thousand dollars more was spent for pensions. All pensions were paid promptly during Governor Swanson's term.

Taxes Not Raised. No taxes were raised, it appears, during his four years, excepting on liquor. The money was borrowed and repaid. The revenues of most States declined during the panic year of 1907 and just following it, but in Virginia, for the two years just after the beginning of the panic, the revenues were \$916,000 more than during the previous two years, Governor Swanson's friends thus arguing that his policies paid for themselves.

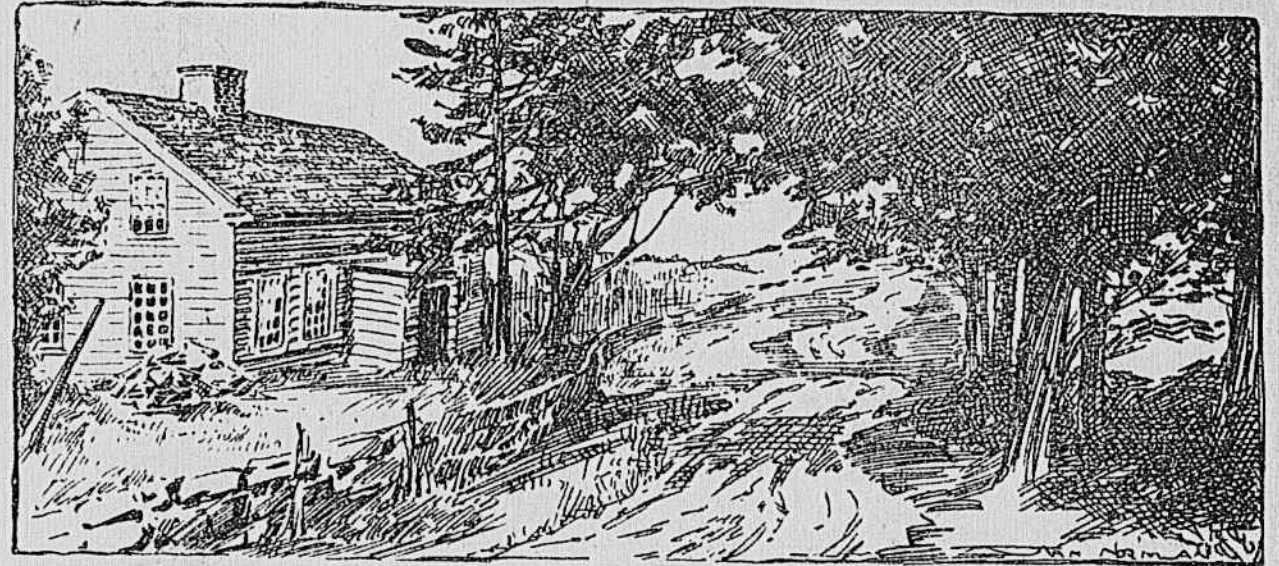
The following recommendations are found in the three messages of Governor Swanson to the General Assembly. "The financial affairs of the State are most favorable, and have surpassed the expectations of the most sanguine. But because the resources of our treasury are abundant, it is not time for reckless expenditures or full extravagance or doubtful appropriations. I would feel derelict in my duty, false to my high trust, if I should fail to impress upon the present General Assembly the necessity for strict economy and the utmost care in the expenditure of public money."

"A portion of this annual surplus should be used to reduce our bonded indebtedness. A wise debtor, when he finds himself possessed of a surplus over current expenses, prepares for an extinguishment of a portion of his outstanding obligations."—Inaugural address, February 1, 1908.

Economy Necessary. "I wish to impress upon you the necessity for strict economy and the utmost care in the expenditure of public money. This surplus should not be squandered by weakly yielding to the doubtful claims of the clamorous; but should be used to further the progressive policy of improvement and the permanent inauguration of the General Assembly."—Message, January 8, 1908.

"While the revenues of the State have been greatly augmented in recent years by its great growth and

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progress, and the rising tide of greater prosperity indicates for the future a greater increase, yet I wish to urge upon the General Assembly the necessity of the utmost care and the strictest economy in the expenditure of public money. There should always remain in the treasury a reasonable safe working balance, so that all the obligations of the State can be properly met. The General Assembly should firmly and continuously adhere to this wise policy, it should be remembered that an excess of expenditure over receipts is as deplorable in a State as in an individual. Appropriations should be limited to undertakings promotive of the public good and that will produce betterment in excess of the expenditure."—Message, January 12, 1910.

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Where an old shack stood on North Union Street, just in the rear of the Chesapeake and Ohio's Main Street passenger station—that is to say, Nos. 109, 111 and 113 North Union Street—Swift & Company has just completed an establishment which was formally opened to the public yesterday, and the public was there in pretty considerable numbers to see it. The "reception" hours were from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M., and between those hours it is estimated that from 7,000 to 8,000 men, women and children visited the establishment, which has been completed at a cost of \$100,000.

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For this special occasion the immense building had been handsomely decorated with national colors, red, white and green, potted plants, etc., a special artist having been sent here from Chicago for the purpose.

Many of the officers of the Swift Company made the journey from Chicago here yesterday, and to assist the local managers in doing the honors, and there were also present by special invitation representatives of the company from various parts of the territory served by the Richmond plant. Among them were J. P. Healy, district manager; L. A. Gilbert, Chicago; J. Warren Wheeler, Chicago; Frank B. Monahan, Chicago; E. W. Hilsen, Chicago; S. D. Hope, Jr., Baltimore; Ed Thiede, of the advertising matter; W. F. Smith and Clarence Hopkins, of Baltimore; W. F. Collins, Washington; C. E. York, Newport News; C. P. Mallon, Norfolk; F. W. Charlottetown, Danville; R. H. Porter, Charlottesville; R. O. Hickman, Danville; N. C. W. H. Ellison, Fayetteville; N. C. A. W. Dowling, Rocky Mount; N. C. McGee, Wilmington; R. M. Calkins, district manager of Tennessee; C. C. Cline, Salisbury; D. Vaughan, Winston-Salem; A. Cochran, Staunton; G. W. Chandler, Charlotte.

Among the prominent citizens who took in the show yesterday were Governor Mann, Lieutenant Governor Elyson, Mayor Richardson, President Stevens, of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway, and others of prominence. One of the afternoon delegations was composed of fifty or more girls from the Woman's College. They were taken in charge by Manager J. P. White, who showed them the entire establishment and discussed to them eloquently on the general subject of good cooking and good meals to be cooked.

The enlarged Swift plant necessitates a larger force of men, and there are now seventy names on the payroll.

ANCIENT WHITMORE HOME IS DESTROYED BY FIRE

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Harrisonburg, Va., March 22.—The ancient Whitmore home at Otisburg,

which was built about 160 years ago, and was probably the oldest house in Rockingham county, was destroyed by fire yesterday. The building belonged to Thomas Wintermyer, and was occupied by Frank Whitmore and family. The house is a two-story log structure, and was erected before the Revolutionary War, when Rockingham was first settled, and this part of the State was a colonial frontier, with Indians, more or less hostile, on all sides. The fire started from a defective flue, and the building was totally destroyed, but practically all of the furniture and household goods were saved. The fire-fighters saved the out-buildings. The Whitmores moved into the house just a week ago.

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